South Jordan City Invites Churches, Civic Groups and Individuals To Present "Thought, Reading or Invocation" At Its Opening Commons for City Council Meetings

Opening Ceremony for City Council Meetings R2004-16 Passed 4-20-04

- 1. It is the policy of the South Jordan City Council to allow for a wide variety of community organizations, churches and individuals to offer thoughts, readings, and invocations at City Council and other public meetings to achieve the above stated purposes.
- 2. The presentation shall be done on a volunteer basis and without cost to the City.
- 3. The presentations are intended to be nondenominational and non-proselytizing in character; however, the City will not dictate the form or content of any such presentation.
- 4. To carry out the policy the following procedure shall be followed:
 - The South Jordan City Recorder shall allow to be scheduled: presentation of thoughts, readings, and invocations for the opening ceremony of the meetings of the City Council Meetings.
 - If the scheduled presenter does not show up at the meeting, the City will allow for a presentation of thoughts, readings, and invocations for the opening ceremony by invitation of the person charged with conducting the meeting.
 - <u>City Recorder shall notice the public every six months</u>, via resources available to the City, inviting area churches and civic groups to contact the City to be scheduled to present the thought, reading, or invocation.
 - Individuals that do not receive an invitation are also welcome to present by giving the City Recorder a written request to do so.
 - The City Recorder shall inform those who are to give the presentation a copy of this resolution and instruct the presenter that it is the City Council's desire to keep the presentation to less than 2 minutes.
 - The City Recorder shall inquire of the presenter how he/she would like the presentation to be listed on the agenda, for example whether it will be a prayer, reading, or thought.

Please contact Anna West, City Recorder if you would like to schedule a presentation for the opening ceremony at a City Council Meeting. South Jordan City Council meets the first and third Tuesday of each month. Presentation time shall be less than 2 minutes.

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